

Post-Baccalaureate DNP Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioner Program

The Post-Baccalaureate Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioner Program is based at the Rutgers Health Campus in Newark, NJ. The Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioner provides a combination of theory and practicum experiences that prepares graduates to be independent providers of full-scope health care within this specialty.

Role and Qualifications: A doctorally-prepared (DNP) Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioner has earned a graduate nursing degree and is prepared to provide women’s health and gender-related care to diverse populations from adolescence throughout the life span. Distinguished by doctoral preparation, the Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner graduate supports both clinical practice and leadership in women’s health and gender-related health and healthcare. Upon successful program completion, graduates will have met core competencies and be eligible for national board certification by the National Certification Corporation (NCC) to practice as a Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner.

Scope of Practice: As a Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioner, care encompasses a full range of primary and specialty health care services. They provide independent gynecological, sexual, and reproductive (including men’s health), family planning, preconception, prenatal, postpartum, and specialty care from adolescence through the lifespan. They are practice leaders, prepared to apply and translate evidence-based research to improve health, healthcare and systems.

Curriculum: This program is 72-credits with a minimum of 755 direct patient care practicum hours. The following are the required courses for this program:

Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
NURS 5104	Advanced Pathophysiology	3	
NURS 5105	Advanced Clinical Pharmacology	3	
ADHA 5107	Advanced Health Assessment	3	

DNP Core Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Project Hrs.**
NURS 6010	Clinical Scholarship	2	
NURS 6060	Clinical Inquiry for Evidence-Based Practice	3	
NURS 6930	Information Technology for Evidence-Based Practice	3	
NURS 6040	Determinants of Health	3	
NURS 6780	Healthcare Economics & Business Practices	3	
CLDR 6400	Leadership Across the Continuum Theory	3	
NURS 6980	Epidemiology and Population Health	3	
CLDR 6440	Quality and Safety in Healthcare Theory	3	
NURS 6020	Management and Analysis of Health Data for the Doctor of Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 6940	Evidence Translation & Implementation Science	3	



Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Project Hrs.**
NURS 6030	DNP Project Planning and Proposal Development*	3	
NURS 6031	DNP Project Implementation*	2	
NURS 6032	DNP Project Evaluation and Dissemination*	2	

Specialty Courses:

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
WHNM 7100	Gynecological, Sexual, and Reproductive Health	6	160
WHNM 7300	Antepartum and Postpartum Care	6	160
WHNM 7500	Primary Care Theory for Midwives and Women’s Health Nurse Practitioners	3	
WHNM 7510	Primary Care Practicum for Women’s Health Nurse Practitioners	3	135
WGNP 7600	Specialty Care for Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioners	5	120
WGNP 7700	Role Synthesis for Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioners	3	180
WGNP 7900	Comprehensive Review for Women’s Health/Gender-Related Nurse Practitioners	1	
Total Program Credits and Clinical Hours		72	755

In addition to the successful completion of the above course requirements, all DNP students must meet all the DNP project requirements set forth by the program.

*A student who does not complete their DNP project during the project-related courses will be registered for a 1-credit project continuation course in subsequent semesters until the project is complete.

**The minimum number of combined clinical practicum and DNP project experience hours is 1000. Students, however, may be required to complete more than 1000 hours to meet minimum competency requirements for graduation and certification (when applicable).